UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Michael A. Shipp

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v. : Crim. No. 22-233 (MAS)

RICKY BOONE : ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE

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Defendant.

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Philip R. Sellinger, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (Ashley S. Pitts, Assistant U.S. Attorney, appearing), and defendant Ricky Boone (Benjamin J. West, appearing), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter for a period of 90 days to permit defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation in this matter and to allow the parties to conduct plea negotiations and attempt to finalize a plea agreement; and the defendant being aware that the defendant has the right to a trial within 70 days, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(c)(1); and two prior continuances having been granted; and the defendant, through his attorney, having consented to the continuance; and for good and sufficient cause shown,

IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

(1) Defense counsel requires adequate time to review the discovery generated by the investigation in this case;

- (2) Taking into account the exercise of diligence, the facts of this case require that defense counsel be permitted a reasonable amount of time for effective preparation in this matter;
- (3) The parties may enter into plea negotiations, which would render any grand jury proceedings and any subsequent trial of this matter unnecessary; and;
- (4) The defendant's initial appearance having occurred on April 7, 2022, before the Honorable Douglas E. Arpert, United States Magistrate Judge; and;
 - (6) The defendant has consented to this continuance; and
- (7) As a result of the foregoing, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3161(h)(7), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial.

IT IS, therefore, on this 19th day of September 2022,

ORDERED that this action be, and hereby is, continued for a period of 90 days through December 14, 2022; and it is further

ORDERED that the period through December 14, 2022, shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974.

U.S. District Judge

Form and entry consented to:

s/ Ashley S. Pitts Ashley S. Pitts Assistant U.S. Attorney

s/ Benjamin West

Benjamin J. West, Esq. Counsel for defendant Ricky Boone